

IT IS STILL A MYSTERY.

THE MURDER OF MANTWILL AT CHICAGO.

The Widow's Strange Conduct—Killed by Train Robbers in Texas—The Criminal Record.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—In the case of the fabled butchery of Max Mantwill in the basement of his own house the police are more mystified than they were an hour after the murder. The case grows in interest and promises to reveal the history of a conspiracy to do the poor Prussian to his death on the widow perhaps figuring as the chief conspirator. This awful thought is the one which appeared most reasonable to the officers engaged on the case. Mantwill was a German, and he can speak English but very little. During his examination by Capt. Schuttler and Lieut. Kipley he acted as if her husband's death were no more to her than the death of a neighbor's dog.

An examination of the premises makes the woman's conduct more unexplainable. Nothing but a layer of boards separates the basement from the main floor. The door, which can almost be heard above. Low voices would sound as plainly as if in the next room. The grating of a foot on the cinder floor was heard distinctly. There can be no doubt that the fact that the struggle was plainly heard by the wife.

Charles Eberling, a former boarder, who now admits to having been intimate with Mrs. Mantwill, is still under arrest. Although he is no longer suspected of having committed the deed, he is being held so as to get further facts from him which he is supposed to be able to furnish. The relations sustained between Eberling and Mrs. Mantwill were such as to furnish no motive for getting rid of the husband. He did not seem much in the way as it was.

A clew considered possibly more likely to furnish a motive for the crime is found in the report that Mantwill was cognizant of the fact that his wife had a dead man found in the north branch. Several Mantwill was employed at the North Chicago rolling-mills at the time the unknown was taken from the river. The latter had an ugly cut on the head, enough probably to produce death. Certain details testified, it is understood, that the man's death was due to an accident, and the coroner's verdict returned was a severe blow to the company from all hands. It seems, however, that Mantwill had been an eye-witness to a row between two of the men and the stranger, and he began to make threats, telling what he knew. He announced that the cut on the man's head had been made and then the body afterward tossed into the river. A man who was not present cannot be given, his hands were found with two rolling-mill bands quarreling with Mantwill. They spoke Polish or German, he could not tell which, but he was persistent in his statements, and got the rest from Mantwill later. Shortly after that Mantwill had to leave, finding employment during the last two months at odd jobs in the neighborhood. He seems a strong one. Another reason for thinking there may be something in it comes from the fact that all the police who have examined the body, with the thirty-five stars, pronounce it a Polish murder.

MARRIED BY WHITE CAPS.

A Plucky Georgian Escapes Death at the Hands of Regulators. VALDOSTA, Ga., Dec. 21.—Nelson Jones is being chased to death by a party of some weeks ago a desperate attack was made on him near the Florida line by masked men. He was dangerously shot and left for dead. He was brought to Valdosta and was slowly recovering, when another attack was made upon him yesterday morning. Jones' only offense has been threats to avenge the whipping of an old man who was his friend.

About 2 o'clock a party of men on horseback went to Jones' cabin, broke the door down, threw a cotton ball saturated with some inflammable substance into the cabin to produce a light, and then threw two loads of buckshot into the bed in which Jones lay.

Jones, however, slept with his Winchester rifle and a pistol beside him, and at the first demonstration at the door he also opened fire and discharged four shots at his assailants. A chair post saved Jones' life. It caught five buckshot and scattered the rest of the load. Three scratched his left temple, two entered the left arm, and three made slight wounds in his left side.

The regulators' had to do their work quickly, for the neighborhood was aroused in a few minutes. They again left Jones for dead, but he thinks he can stand another load. He does not know whether he hit any of his assailants or not.

TRAIN ROBBERIES IN TEXAS.

Four Men Go Through an Express Car and Kill a Brakeman.

TEMPLE, Texas, Dec. 21.—The west bound passenger train on the San Angelo branch of the Santa Fe was held up early yesterday morning at Bang's station, 13 miles west of here. While the train was standing there Train Guard Al Wolf was approached by four men, who drew their pistols and ordered him to throw up his hands. They then struck him and knocked him down. He attempted to cross the train, but when on the platform they knocked him against the door of the coach. The noise attracted the attention of Brakeman Penn, who snatched the guard's pistol and fired into the gang of robbers. The robbers returned the fire, shooting Penn in the chest and fatally wounding him. After the shooting the robbers compelled the guard to uncouple the express car from the next coach and ordered the engine to run out from the town, where the express car was robbed. Only about \$42 was obtained by the robbery.

No arrests have yet been made, but it is believed that the robbers will soon be overtaken, as pursuit was started immediately with bloodhounds, and it is scarcely possible for them to get far away.

Brakeman Penn died at Goldthwaite, where he was taken, at 8 o'clock this morning.

RIOT AMONG RAILROAD LABORERS.

Six Men Badly Hurt While Quarrelling Over Tools Seized for Theft.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 21.—At 10 o'clock this morning word was received at the police station that a general fight was in progress at the corner of Fourteenth and Wyoming streets. A squad of policemen hastened to the spot and found between forty and fifty men fighting with stones, clubs and improvised weapons of all kinds. The mob fed in the light of the officers, and the fighting was caused by the refusal of J. D. McNeely, a contractor laying the grade of the Chicago, Kansas & Nebraska division of the Rock Island road, to pay his men this morning. The men took possession of twenty carts containing tools belonging to McNeely, which they determined to hold for three months' wages they said were due to them. They then began fighting among themselves for possession of the tools. Six men were badly hurt, including Barney Regan, who was so seriously injured that he was removed to the St. Louis hospital. No arrests were made.

BRIBERY CASES NEXT.

Cronin Jury-Fixers to Be Tried After the Holidays.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—The jury-bribing cases will come up for trial immediately after the holidays, when the state will prosecute the defendants, or some of them, secure a continuance. State's Attorney

Longenecker is working on the preparations for the case, and so are the defendants. A pretty close watch has been kept on the witnesses in the case ever since the discovery of the bribery conspiracy, and all the witnesses are where they can be got when wanted. Much new evidence has been discovered, though it is mostly corroborative. A man about the Criminal court, who goes pretty well posted on the case, said yesterday that the trial would develop some startling facts about men not yet indicted.

DEADLY FEUD IN IOWA.

A Long Dispute Over Hogs Between Brothers-in-Law Results Fatally.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, Dec. 21.—Farmers John Holman and C. Gull, of Farmville township, were brothers-in-law and deadly enemies. They frequently quarreled over a debt concerning a lot of hogs. Holman went to a neighbor's house, borrowed a gun, and loading it with bird shot fired at Gull, killing the latter's legs with lead. Then they engaged in a hand to hand encounter, in which Gull took the gun from Holman and beat him over the head with the stock. Holman has since died. He was regarded as a bad man in his neighborhood, and was under a ban of excommunication. Holman armed himself with a knife and attempted to kill Gull's family. He chased a little daughter a long distance, but she escaped.

THE LONE STAR ROBBER ARRESTED.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 21.—A man calling himself Charles Williams was arrested here this afternoon by detectives. He is believed to be the man who at different times during the last few weeks has been robbing the stage coaches in the northern part of California. In his sudden flight after robbing the Redding stage last month the robber left a blanket behind him. A merchant here today identified the blanket as the one whom he sold the blanket. It has been ascertained that soon after each robbery a man answering Williams' description has been seen at a hotel under the name of C. W. Moore.

A Bank Swindler Arrested.

BRAZIL, Ind., Dec. 21.—A young man calling himself Harry Longenecker attempted a forged check swindle on the First National bank, but the signature betrayed him, and he was arrested. On being searched a book of blank checks was found on his person, one being filled for \$1,000 on McKee's bank of Terre Haute. The checks in his possession have been victimized in various sums recently, and it is believed an important arrest has been made.

Work of the White-Caps in Kansas.

CONCORDIA, Kas., Dec. 21.—Fourteen White Caps last night visited the house of George A. Miners, who was chased by them with horsewhips, and ordered him to leave the country. He was charged by them with immoral practices. Miners' complaint to-day and brought here for trial. They gave bail.

THE ASPECT OF TRADE.

Mild Weather Causes Increasing Trouble, Especially in the Coal Trade.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: "The weather causes increasing trouble. Perhaps the coal trade suffers most; many collieries in Pennsylvania have stopped, throwing over 4,000 men out of employment, and are suffering results. The dry goods and boot and shoe trades are much affected. Collections are 'only fair' at many western points, 'hardly satisfactory' at Cleveland, 'unpleasantly slow' at Milwaukee, where much excitement is caused by a heavy failure at Fond du Lac, and small failures have become alarmingly frequent."

"The general tenor of reports is by no means unfavorable. The volume of trade continues larger than a year ago. Clearings outside of New York are still about 1 percent larger than last year, and railroad earnings show a handsome increase."

"The exports in November appear to have exceeded those of last year by nearly 50,000 tons, or nearly 10 percent. The export trade has been a little smaller. Money is still close here at 6 percent on call; comparatively easy at Cleveland; unchanged; but with liberal demand at Chicago; close at Kansas City, but in sufficient supply for legitimate business at Western and Southern points generally. The treasury has made heavy disbursements so that it holds \$200,000,000 less than two weeks ago, and foreign exchange has advanced 1/2 during the week. The general level of prices has scarcely changed."

"The speculative markets have been comparatively dull. Only 90,000,000 bushels of wheat have been sold here, the price advancing about 1 cent, and the change thus far has been less than would naturally follow the close of navigation. Sales of corn have been 5,500,000 bushels, with a fractional decline, but oats are a shade stronger. Pork has dropped 2 cents a barrel, and lard a shade. Though receipts and exports of cotton both fell below those of the corresponding week last year, the price is unchanged. In the stock market dullness and depression have been followed by a stronger tone. The business failures number 342. For the corresponding week of last year the figures were 311."

Cubans Want Independence.

KEY WEST, Fla., Dec. 21.—The most enthusiastic meeting and torchlight procession seen for years was held here last night by about 2,000 Cubans, who paraded in honor of Senator Call's recent bill looking to the independence of Cuba. The old exiles were wild with delight.

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TWO MORE VICTIMS DEAD.

FURTHER FATALITIES OF THE DETROIT ACCIDENT.

Vessels and Crews Lost—An Iowa Town Fire—Sweep—Railway Wrecks—The Casualty Record.

DETROIT, Mich., Dec. 21.—Two more deaths as the result of the Tilden School fire have occurred. Bertha Moody, aged 14, who was terribly burned, lingered in fearful agony all Thursday night and died at 6 o'clock Friday morning. An unexpected fatality occurred at 1:30 p. m., when Edith Wheeler, aged 17 years, died. She was not believed to be badly burned, and her death is attributed either to the fact that she inhaled the flames or to the resultant shock. This makes three victims of the fire, and several girls are still in a precarious condition. Those badly burned, and who are in a dangerous condition, are Edna Foulda, aged 13; Nellie Thatcher, aged 14; George Horner, 15; Lucy Renshaw, 15; and Nellie Westgate, 15.

SMOTHERED IN A SHIP'S HOLD.

Two Prominent Citizens of San Francisco Die from Inhaling Foul Gas.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 21.—Capt. J. H. Freeman, local surveyor of Lloyd's, and R. Colton, a wealthy member of the grain firm of Colton, Bell & Co., met a terrible fate here today. In company with A. J. Gore, grain inspector of the produce exchange, they went down into the hold of the ship Durham to inspect wheat which had been scorched by fire last Tuesday. The party had only been below a few moments when stoves and others on the dock were startled to see Gore appear on deck, staggering around and calling for help. The men rushed on board and looking into the hold saw Capt. Freeman hanging in an unconscious condition upon the ladder. They also heard a cry from the darkness between decks. The stoves and others on the dock saw Freeman and Colton had been smothered by foul gas arising from the half-burned wheat. All efforts to rescue them failed till life was extinct.

THIRTEEN DROWNED.

Considerable Loss of Life Occasioned by the Collision of Steamers.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—A collision occurred south of the Isle of Wight today between the British steamers Cleddy, from Odessa Dec. 3, for Antwerp, and the S. S. Cleddy, from Antwerp, which was bound for Stockholm for a European port. The Cleddy was so badly damaged that she sank. Several of her crew reached land in safety but thirteen others were missing.

The Cleddy was an iron brig-rigged screw steamer of 1,394 tons and was owned in Cardiff. The Isle of Cyprus is of 722 tons register.

A DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.

The Business Portion of the Town of Swaledale, Iowa, Burned.

MASON CITY, Iowa, Dec. 21.—Fire has destroyed the business portion of Swaledale, a prosperous town sixteen miles south of Mason City. The fire originated in the grocery store of Carr Brothers, where a heavy snow storm and strong wind destroyed the entire district. Women and children in their flight were driven into the snow and storm in their bare feet and night dresses, and many have become sick in consequence. The loss is about \$35,000, with \$12,000 insurance.

A COSTLY COLLISION.

Ten Cars Wrecked and \$50,000 Worth of Property Destroyed.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 21.—A rear end collision between two freight trains on the Burlington & Missouri river road took place at Sutton early this morning. Ten cars of merchandise were destroyed and one brakeman seriously injured. One car went through the depot, completely wrecking the building. The loss to the company is estimated at between \$40,000 and \$50,000.

FOUR PERSONS KILLED.

Terrific Explosion in an Artillery Magazine at Baku, Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 21.—A shell burst today in the artillery magazine at Baku, causing a general explosion and blowing the magazine to pieces. The noise of the exploding shells and rockets sounded like a bombardment. One hundred thousand cartridges were destroyed. Four persons were killed and four injured.

Snashup on a Southern Road.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 21.—A smashup occurred on the New Orleans & Mobile division of the Louisville & Nashville road at 6 o'clock this morning at Orange Grove station, thirty-three miles from Mobile. The second section of train No. 72, north bound, which left New Orleans behind time last night, dashed into an open switch, throwing the engine and six cars from the track, killing Charles Pierce, the engineer.

One Man Killed, Two Injured.

LAKE CITY, Iowa, Dec. 21.—Last night one of the side bars of an engine on the Northwestern road, two miles west of this place, broke loose, tearing through the cab, John Anderson, fireman, jumped and was killed. A brakeman named Kelly, who was riding in the cab at the time, was seriously if not fatally injured. Joe Bancroft, the engineer, was hurled from the engine and badly bruised.

A Veteran Soldier Instantly Killed.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 21.—John Bradley, a veteran at the soldiers' home here, fell from a third story window at the home Friday afternoon and was instantly killed. Gen. R. A. Alger was approaching the building to visit the Grand Army post here. Bradley raised the window to see him, lost his balance and fell, breaking his neck.

Run Down and Sunk.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The steamer Prinz Wilhelm I. was run down by an unknown iron sailing vessel at a point five leagues distant from Havre. The steamer floated for four hours and then went to the bottom. The crew took to the boats and twenty-eight of them landed at Boulogne. A boat containing thirteen men is missing.

THE MONTANA PUZZLE.

Belief That the United States Senators Will Be Elected Next Week.

CAPT. SCHAACK RETIRED.

Chicago's Noted Police Captain Put on the Pension List.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—Capt. Michael Schaack, who was suspended from the police force soon after Dan Conaghan was arrested, was placed on the retired list today.



THE VALIDITY OF THE MAXWELL LAND GRANT COMPANY'S TITLE UNDEBATED.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 21.—Judge Brewer, United States circuit judge, has rendered a decision in the famous Beales land grant case, the most important land suit ever brought in the United States. It involves the title to over 60,000,000 acres of land in Colorado, New Mexico, and vicinity. The title of the case is the Interstate Land company against the Maxwell Land Grant Company; also the Maxwell Land Grant Company against Vincente Pueteca and others. Judge Brewer decided in favor of the Maxwell. The decision is long but comprehensive. By reciting the conditions of the grant to Beales and the laws governing in Mexico Judge Brewer finds that Beales had no title to land and except what was set off to him by the Mexican government. Beales claimed and deeded the entire tract of land granted, and his titles are void according to Judge Brewer's opinion. It is not believed the case will stop short of the United States Supreme court.

NOW WISH THEY HADN'T.

People of Lynn Forced to Ask Aid From Other Cities.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 21.—The public-spirited people of Lynn have discovered they made a mistake which may cost them dear. The day after the big fire Boston and many other cities and towns offered substantial aid. This was politely declined by the leading people of Lynn and the city committee. The day after the big fire Boston and many other cities and towns offered substantial aid. This was politely declined by the leading people of Lynn and the city committee. The day after the big fire Boston and many other cities and towns offered substantial aid. This was politely declined by the leading people of Lynn and the city committee.

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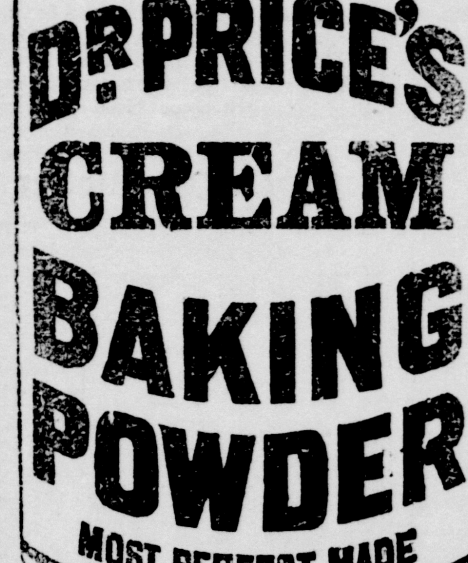
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 Died: Boccaccio, 1375.
 Catherine de Braganza, 1705.
 Pilgrims landed, 1620.

OUR RELATIONS TO THE CRIMINAL CLASS.

A few days ago Mr. Charles Dudley Warner delivered an address before the Twentieth Century Club, of Chicago, on the subject, "Our relations to the Criminal Class." The address was not published in full, but the following paragraph from one of the Chicago papers reviewing Mr. Warner's petition, will give a fair idea of his opinion on the general class of criminals:

Mr. Warner seems to have put from him all sentiment in the consideration of the criminal class, giving himself up wholly to the scientific spirit, now so nearly omnipresent throughout the intellectual world. With a few unimportant exceptions, a few bankers and other persons of that sort, the criminal is a man who has chosen crime as his profession, deliberately and for life, the same as others choose law, medicine, journalism, the stage or the pulpit. It suits their taste.

The very risks they run are fascinating. To skirt along the edge of prison walls, eluding chase and defying the bloodhounds of the law, is precisely what to them makes life worth living. Left to themselves, in the ordinary course of events they will never reform. They may be at large, or they may be in prison, it is all one. To them crime is at once vocation and avocation. The prison may be a place of torture or a luxurious palace, reform is equally out of the question in the ordinary course of things.

Mr. Warner spoke in the highest terms of the Elmira, New York, reformatory, an institution in which the indeterminate sentence law has been adopted. But Mr. Warner's comparison of the Elmira reformatory with the penal institutions of the country, is not a fair one. The Elmira reformatory is designed more especially for young men or boys who have committed their first offense. Those who go there are not professional criminals. They have become criminals under peculiar temptations, and as a matter of course, are more easily influenced by the spirit of kindness, and by the opportunities they have for study and social improvement, than the average criminal. The records do not show that there are more "reforms" accomplished at Elmira than there are in any of the fairly well managed industrial, or reform schools, in other states; and it has been said, but with how much truth we cannot say, that in almost every state prison in the west, some of the Elmira graduates will be found.

But this does not slender that institution, neither is it in anywise unkind to Mr. Brockway, the manager, for there is no reformatory institution in the country, that can make good boys out of all the material it has to deal with. Heredity has done its work in many cases, and has done it badly, and the reform needed in every particular is out of the reach of such institutions. But the Elmira reformatory and scores of reform schools, are doing a good work in the way of reforming youthful criminals, and in this direction, the signs are full of promise.

But the more sober and difficult problem to solve is "Our Relations to the Criminal class who find their way into state prisons," men who are there for the second or third or fourth time, and there are great numbers of these? The indeterminate sentence scheme will do no good in such cases. It may be safely assumed that from sixty to seventy per cent of the criminals in the Wisconsin state prison cannot be reformed under any such a plan as that adopted at Elmira. It is the experience of every penitentiary in the country that some criminals—very many of them in fact—who have had the kindest treatment, who have had golden opportunities for study, and every possible chance for reformation, have been most enthusiastic in their profession of reform, and when they go out into the world to meet with old struggles and old temptations, it is soon learned that their reformation was of a counterfeit kind.

With this class it is difficult to deal. The only practical thing for the state to do concerning these criminals is to put them at some industry that will enable them to earn their living, to give them an opportunity to do some steady, to feed them well, to afford them religious instruction, and then trust to luck for their well being after they leave the prison. Any sentimentalism showered on the average convict, is not only wasted, but it does positive harm.

THE SOUTH DAKOTA DESTITUTION.

There has been a good deal said in regard to the destitution in South Dakota, and appeals long and piteous have come from individuals in that new state, asking for bread and clothing for the men, women and children who were said to be in a destitute and famished condition. Such sympathetic appeals went far and wide, and as usual, the heart of the American people was moved, and provisions, clothing, money, and fuel, went to the unfortunate state by the car load. This sort of advertising was not the kind South Dakota wanted. It was diverting sympathy, and blighting the fair name of the proud state. So Governor Mellette took a gubernatorial trip through the state, and he reports as follows:

I find things not so bad as I feared and not so good as I hoped. There are two centers of the dry district, Miner county in the east and Bank county in the north. Excepting a light crop in West Park there was almost a total failure of crops in these two counties and in portions of the adjacent counties, except in the east, making in each case a dry district somewhat greater than double the area of each county.

There are many cases of absolute destitution and there would have been suffering but for the prompt assistance furnished from all other parts of the state and also adjoining states. The counties are thoroughly organized for the distribution of supplies. In spite of all precaution mistakes will be made but, experience has begotten caution and supplies are now generally placed in the stores, being given out only on the order of the township committee man. The public is willing to help the needy and expect their bounty to be thus best made.

The chief need now is for food and grain. Clothing is coming in bountifully. I should say the articles most needed are flour, meal, and corn. The weather conditions are delightful and every day is a god-send.

Governor Mellette, in connection with this report, says that "greatly exaggerated reports of our condition are being circulated in the eastern cities. The purpose of these is not to obtain relief, but to hinder immigration. Our people, however, are accustomed to this treatment. These papers have already located several terrible blizzards upon us, while in truth every day is like perfect Indian summer or spring." This hindrance to immigration to South Dakota became so alarming that the state has been compelled to send an agent to Europe to unde, if possible, the harm that has been done in that direction, and to take such a course as shall stimulate immigration to that state.

The representative men of South Dakota, who held a convention at Watertown on the 18th inst., said that while the failure of crops has taken place in some counties, "such failure does not indicate destitution any more than the establishment of soup houses in the large cities of the country indicate universal destitution in those cities."

THE END OF A GREAT SINGER.

There is a sad ending to the life of that wonderful basso, Karl Formes, who died in San Francisco on Wednesday. He was born on the Rhine in 1810, and very early in life became a famous singer. His name went abroad throughout all the earth where there was music and civilization, and he became the lion of the music world. In every great city of Europe, in every city of any pretensions in the United States, Karl Formes won remarkable triumphs. There was nothing like him ever heard before, and certainly no one has been heard since who could match him. He conquered the musical world a great many times, never ceasing to impress his vast audiences with the magnificent gifts nature had showered upon him. His voice had a marvelous depth and a wonderful volume, so that his laurels were easily won.

Notwithstanding nature had been most generous to Karl Formes he was unkind to nature. He treated his glorious voice as if it were no better than a foot-ball. He became reckless and more or less dissipated. Thirteen years ago he settled in San Francisco, but did not cease his strange life. His wealth began to disappear, his voice which was heard so gladly in the world of music began to fail, and he lost everything. From affluence he went down to poverty, and from fame and popularity, he sank to a miserable death.

The Catholic Review paints an editorial item in which considerable dissatisfaction is shown with the Catholic literature in the United States. In the editorial it says: "We sigh for glimpses of a novel, a biography, a history—anything written by a Catholic American with literary skill, taste and modesty. But we sigh in vain. French translations, German translations, English poppy prose, sermons and meditations await continue to pour from Catholic presses in long drawn-out agony." Here is a chance for a Catholic American, of education, of genius, of a bright and progressive spirit; to do his church and Catholic literature a splendid service.

Well, Sam Small is to become an Episcopal clergyman. Whether the Episcopal church is to be congratulated or not remains to be seen. If Mr. Small in anywise follows the style of his friend, Sam Jones, he will stay in the Episcopal church about six months. He possibly may reform, and become a useful man. What Sam Small most needs is reformation.

Whittier is now 83 years old, and the other day was offered two thousand dollars for a short poem, but declined on the ground that he did not have time to write anything—he was too busy resting.

Chanuncy M. Depew says before he leaves this life behind him he wants to write a biography of Alexander Hamilton, and on that he will rest his reputation.

The weather has made bad work of Professor Blake's predictions for December. The weather has no mercy on weather prognosticators.

The New York Herald still keeps sending its darts at Cleveland. It makes the charge in plain type that he is a free trader.

Chicago can do much to entitle it to the world's fair by reforming its police-men.

After diphtheria, scarlet fever, or pneumonia, Hood's Sarsaparilla will give strength to the system, and expel all poison from the blood.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

THE GAZETTE'S STRAIN BINDER READY FOR HOLIDAY WORK.

Mr. S. W. Benedict is now taking orders for the Gazette Strain Binder, which is making a specialty of holiday work. Persons having books they wish bound for the holidays can give their orders to Mr. Benedict, or send them direct to the binder, and their work will receive prompt attention. Our new double cloth joints are put in all books making them very strong and durable. All work performed in a first class manner and delivered when promised.

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FOR SALE CHEAP.

It taken soon, new house and six acres of land on corner of Milton Avenue and Elida streets. In fine shape to sell in acre or half acre lots. D. CONVERSE.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

A DAY'S PROCEEDINGS IN CONGRESSIONAL HALLS.

Discussion in the Senate of the Question of Recognizing the Brazilian Republic—Gossip.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—In the Senate a joint resolution, thanking Chief Justice Fuller for his recent address before Congress was passed.

Among the bills introduced and referred to the following:

By Mr. Cullum—Providing for limited postal telegraph service.

By Mr. Reagan—For the free coinage of both gold and silver; the issue of certificates to serve as money and the release of United States and national bank notes of small denominations.

By Mr. Vest—For the holding of the world's fair in St. Louis.

Mr. Morgan called up his joint resolution recognizing the United States of Brazil as a free, independent and sovereign State and spoke at length on the subject.

Remarks were made by Senators Ingalls, Sherman, Everts, Teller and Call in opposition to the resolution, and by Senators Eustis and McPherson in its favor, and the vote on a motion to refer the resolution to the committee on foreign relations assumed a party aspect, the Democrats voting against the motion with the exception of Senator Call. The tenor of the remarks by Senators opposed to the resolution was that Brazil was no republic by the voice of the people, but by the proclamation of a few leaders, and when her people proclaimed her republic they were ready to lend her all aid and sympathy, and a ye and nay vote was called on the motion to refer the resolution to the committee on foreign relations and which resulted in no quorum, and the resolution was laid over and the Senate then went into executive session.

The Senate was in executive session until 5:15 o'clock and then adjourned. About 300 confirmations were announced. Among them were the following:

Consuls of the United States—Delos H. Smith of Arizona, at Nogales; Horace C. Pugh of Indiana, at Newswater; Henry W. Dietrich of Indiana, at Laipala.

Comptrollers of the currency—Asa C. Matthews of Illinois, first comptroller; Benjamin F. Gillespie of Pennsylvania, second comptroller.

Auditors of the treasury—William H. Hart of Indiana, third auditor; Thomas H. Smith of Ohio, sixth auditor.

United States Marshal—Joseph R. Harris for the Western district of Pennsylvania.

Collectors of Customs—Albert H. Kilham of New York, at New York; Thomas V. Cooper, of Philadelphia.

Pension Agents—Bernard Kelly, of Emporia, Kan.; William R. Knox, of Emporia, Kan.

W. V. Year, of Vermont, to be Interstate Commissioner, and also a large number of land officials and postmasters.

The House.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Speaker laid before the House a message from the President transmitting a communication from the Secretary of the Interior, together with the draft of a bill providing for the reduction of the Round Valley Indian reservation, California. Referred.

The Senate resolution extending the thanks of Congress to Chief Justice Melville W. Fuller for the appropriate address delivered by him on the occasion of the commemoration of the inauguration of George Washington, first President of the United States, was agreed to.

Mr. McKinley, of Ohio, from the committee on rules, reported a resolution providing for the creation of the following committees: Standing committee on expenditures in the department of agriculture, to consist of seven members; a select committee on irrigation of the arid lands, to consist of eleven members; a select committee on immigration and naturalization, to consist of seven members. The resolution was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Carlisle, of Kentucky, a resolution was adopted authorizing Isaac B. Hall to act as assistant doorkeeper of the House.

On motion of Mr. McKenna of California, a resolution was passed making immediately available for repairing the damages caused by floods in the Sacramento and Feather rivers, an unexpended balance of \$10,000.

Mr. Adams introduced the world's fair bill introduced in the Senate by Senator Cullum.

A brief discussion occurred on a motion by Mr. Breckinridge to relieve the sergeant-at-arms of the Fifty-fifth Congress of further responsibility with reference to money now in the safe of the House of Representatives, after which an adjournment was had until Saturday, at which time it was understood the committee would be announced.

JOHN STANDS NO SHOW.

Strict Surveillance Over the Chinese Passing Through This Country.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—A set of new regulations governing the movements of Chinamen in transit through the United States have been prepared at the treasury department. Heretofore Chinese travelers have been required to give bond for their direct transit through the country and speedy departure. The new regulation will require the railroads transporting them to give bond in sums of \$10,000. It will also be required of them to furnish the customs officer at the port of arrival with a certificate from the customs officer at the port of departure, showing that the Chinese described in the certificate left the country within twenty days after their arrival.

Nominations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The President has transmitted to the Senate the following nominations:

Treasury—Collector of Customs, Thomas R. Johnston, Charleston, S. C.; Charles Y. Osborne, Superior, Mich.; James S. Bardall, Appraiser of Merchandise, port of Cincinnati; Edward G. Frothingham, Special Examiner of Drugs, Medicines and Chemicals at Boston and Charleston, Mass.

UNHAPPY BRAZIL.

Signs of Reaction Becoming Apparent in Rio de Janeiro.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Private dispatches from Rio de Janeiro to-day continue to indicate that the situation in Brazil is extremely precarious, and that the leaders of the republican movement were either not entirely certain of their ground in the deposition of Dom Pedro or that they are now unable to cope with the new political questions which confront them. The trouble seems to lie chiefly among the soldiery, in spite of the fact that they ranged themselves voluntarily on the side of the revolutionists.

Many arrests have been made, more are going and the provisional government is doing its utmost to hold its ground. The exact facts are difficult to obtain, however, on account of the censorship of the telegraph.

TAME CARE OF YOUR EYES.

Dr. B. MINOR, the eminent oculist of Detroit, Mich., will visit every town in Michigan during the winter. Anyone suffering with weak eyes, or eye abused by inferior glasses, should not fail to see him. Orders left at the post-office will be promptly attended to. No extra charge for examining or visiting patients at their homes.

GRAVE CARE FOR ANXIETY.

Exists when the kidneys lose their activity. Prompt measures should be taken to renew it, otherwise Bright's disease, diabetes, or some other organic trouble is to be apprehended as a consequence. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is a most direct, safe, and effective action upon these organs never crosses the border line of safety and merges into irritation, as do many stimulants used for the same purpose by the careless and uneducated. The stimulant of commerce is doing its utmost to hold its ground. The exact facts are difficult to obtain, however, on account of the censorship of the telegraph.

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A number of those whom we have supplied with coal and wood this season have, without solicitation upon our part expressed themselves as highly pleased with the treatment received. Thanks for your frankness and kindness, it is very encouraging. We will endeavor to merit the approval of all. We are never satisfied unless we can use our customers better in every respect each time they come than we have ever been able to do before.

Very truly yours,
BLAIR & GOWDEY.

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You must examine the holiday slippers shown by Brown Bros. before you buy. You can easily save from 25 to 75c. on a pair by trading at the Cash Shoe Store.

Our cloak sales so far ahead of former seasons.

Headquarters for all the latest novelties in fancy work, wedding and holiday presents, for plain and fancy yarns, the most complete line of toys in the city are at Spoon & Snyder's.

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WANTED—A first-class blacksmith, for light and heavy work. Steady employment to a good man.

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—Beginning Saturday and during the holiday week Grubb Bros. will give each purchaser of our celebrated 60 cent tea one dozen of sweet Florida oranges.

Look at that at those "ere hiker, worn 'em more than a year, and one of Brown Bros. customers, as he pointed to a pair of the world-wide advertised Douglas shoes. It has become an established fact that the Douglas shoes are the greatest wearers made.

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As the weather is warm, we have an over-stock of some kinds of wood, and are making low prices. Call and see it.

BLAIR & GOWDEY.

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Nuts—new 1890 stock at Grubb Bros.

Nutcracker and pick with each pound.

Gente, bill books, pocket books and diaries for 1890 at Sutherland's bookstore.

Fine ladies' Dongola kid shoes at \$1.50.

M. SAMUELS.

Ladies' fine pocket books, purses and card cases. Call and see them at Sutherland's bookstore.

Christmas novelties in great variety at Denniston's.

Huyey's Peacock Macilage, 35 cents, at Stearns & Baker's.

Best and cheapest toilet and manure sets, and all kinds of boxes at Sutherland's bookstore.

Call early at Sutherland's bookstore and we will be able to give you the better attention.

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Point books, engraved entirely in this style, and having the initials of the owner, are selling well.

Engraved glass ink bottles with etched and engraved tops are selling well.

Engraved silver umbrellas handles terminating in heavy knobs are all the go.

Silver deposit and mother of pearl in combination used in many cases.

There is no duplication in the sale of jewelry, bracelets, the ladies affecting them as much as ever.

Another new paper weight device is an imitation rug, upon which kneels a Turk, evidently in prayer.

A silver oval, looking down with calm serenity upon a tomb, forms a match box in the season's batch.

Clock buttons in various sizes, of the most exquisite pierced work in silver, are a favorite among the ladies.

A rival to the expensive garter clasp is the new style of garter clasp, which is a novel conception in steel pins is a gold anvil, in front of which is sunk a perpendicular line of diamonds.

Opera-glass holders in chased gold and in silver, with silver deposit are conspicuous novelties in display.

A novel item in card-receivers is a gilt bronze heart resting upon three darts and containing at one end a tiny cupid.

Cria-a-brac novelties include a terra-cotta heart with a cupid's head and shoulders, and a terra-cotta heart with a cupid's head and shoulders.

Numbered among the fanciful hairpin devices is a blue tinted moonstone, set in a diamond-shaped frame of rubies.

Little bronze troughs with members of the feathered tribe perched upon the sides constitute something new in ash trays.

A hairpin too recently seen took the form of a tiny tree, represented by glass sparkling with tiny stones scattered all over it.

The fancy of the hour is a pair of earrings, fashioned as plates in the old time style, pattern in enamel, with diamond borders.

A dull gold nail, twisted and retwisted through a diamond and sapphire horse-shoe, composes a brooch that is receiving favor.

Fretful little scarfpins come as filigree gold circles, edged with gold pins driven half way through, and forming a railing around.

A miniature gold drum, with crystal top, ornamented with gold wires crossing the top in various directions, comprises a charming chain pendant.

Delightful to the eye is a brooch formed by an intricate gold-curve bar, across the center of which are two vertical strips, forming a row of three diamonds.

CONCERNING WOMEN.

Rosa Bonheur, the artist, says that she has painted her best picture since she was 50.

Mrs. Anna Reade, a niece of the late Charles Reade, is about to make her debut as a novelist.

Mrs. Humphrey Ward's "Robert Elsmere" was read not once but twice by the Queen of England.

The only make-up Mrs. Kendal resorts to is a lot of talc for her face and Egyptian black for her lashes.

Sir Julian Pauncefote's four daughters have blooming brilliant complexions and dress in the extreme of English manner.

Mrs. Hammett's sister is a lady, "slight," married entirely by her sisters and cousins, who have been sewing a good deal this year on the Thames.

Mrs. Modjeska is said to entertain more than any other woman on the stage.

Her favorite form of entertainment is to give a quiet dinner to a half-dozen particular friends.

Ellen Terry has just shocked all England by observing that, if girls like her situation, it is not their own fault, there is no reason why they should not "enjoy their quiet little put."

Annie Fern, an actress of Boston, has become a champion swimmer and is now taking a course in the city.

Her performance is a curious imitation of a dead body under the water.

Miss Addie Hamilton, just appointed a notary public in Washington by the President, it is said, is the sister of her sex in the United States.

Washington, the other lady being Miss Emma Gillett.

Mrs. Augusta Evans-Wilson, the Southern dramatist, is short and stout, with a good-favored, intelligent face, having an expression of happy contentment, showing that she is on good terms with her husband and the rest of the world.

Christine Nilsson is the real name of a young Norwegian singer who is attracting great attention. The new young Mrs. Christine Nilsson has a soprano voice blended with a timbre similar to Lucy's, and sang with great success at Copenhagen lately.

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Don't nothin' wuz 'ut got to renters 'ut Paradise in trouble.

Mekin' my lawyers don't 'crease do natchal honesty in de worl'.

Hit don't mek no diff'rence ter de barber lo' w'ich way you cut.

De farmer dat ain't 'quainted wid sun-riise don't need big barns.

Hit tek heaps 'ut whitewash ter stop de kneepole in de fence.

Sleepin' twell sunup or high cut ter de bottom 'ut de meal bag.